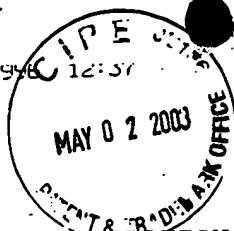


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DECLARATION OF INVENTORSHIP AND POWER OF ATTORNEY  
FOR UNITED STATES PATENT APPLICATION

Attorney Docket No C-35469

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled "SILVER ALLOY COMPOSITIONS", the specification of which

{x} is attached hereto.

{ } was previously filed. US serial number not yet available to applicant. A copy of the specification as filed is attached for identification purposes.

{ } was filed on \_\_\_\_\_ Attorney Docket No \_\_\_\_\_

{ } was filed on \_\_\_\_\_ under Application Serial No \_\_\_\_\_.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information which is material to Patentability as defined in 37 CFR § 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 USC § 119 or 35 USC § 172 of any foreign application listed below.

Prior Foreign Application:

APPLICATION NUMBER  
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COUNTRY  
International  
Australia

FILING DATE  
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I hereby claim the benefit 35 USC § 120 of any United States application listed below, and any prior filed International application under 35 USC § 365 listed below, and insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior application, I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR § 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the filing date of this application

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Serial or Patent No: \_\_\_\_\_ Filed or Issued: \_\_\_\_\_

For: SILVER ALLOY COMPOSITIONS

VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS  
(37 CFR 1.9(f) AND 1.27(c) - SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN

I hereby declare that I am

- ☐ the owner of the small business concern identified below:  
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I hereby declare that the above identified small business concern qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 13 CFR 121.3-18, and reproduced in 37 CFR 1.9(d), for purposes of paying reduced fees under section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, in that the number of employees of the concern, including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons. For purposes of this statement, (1) the number of employees of the business concern is the average over the previous fiscal year of the concern of the persons employed on a full-time, part-time or temporary basis during each of the pay periods of the fiscal year, and (2) concerns are affiliates of each other when either, directly or indirectly, one concern controls or has the power to control the other, or a third party or parties controls or has the power to control both.

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☐ application serial no: \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_  
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Signature A. P. Eccles Date 25.4.96